

contained one egg of the Narrow-billed Bronze Cuckoo (*Chalcites basalis*), measuring 17.1 x 12.5 mm., together with two eggs of the whiteface, which measured 16.0 x 12.6 mm., and 16.1 x 12.6 mm. The cuckoo's egg so much resembled the host's eggs in colour and size that only close inspection identified the cuckoo's egg. It was more elongated in shape and the markings were in the form of distinct small spots instead of blotches. This species of whiteface has not previously been recorded as a host of the Narrow-billed Bronze Cuckoo.

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A Further Record of *Puffinus gavia* from Western Australia.—On June 13, 1956, a storm-driven specimen of the Fluttering Shearwater (*Puffinus gavia*) was collected by E. M. Watson on Swanbourne beach, 5 miles north of Fremantle. The bird, which had been ashore for about two days, was in poor condition, but the distinctively coloured legs and the distribution of the plumage colours on the head were still clearly discernible. The dimensions were: length, 14½ in.; culmen, 37.8 mm.; wing, 228 mm.; tail, 70 mm.; tarsus, 44 mm.; middle toe and claw, 53 mm. The beak was pale lead-grey; tarsus, grey-brown on the outer aspect and white-flesh on the inner. The dark feathering on the head extended well below eye-level.

The specimen clearly belonged to the large race *huttoni* and its dimensions approach the largest examples of that race reviewed by D. L. Serventy (*Emu*, vol. 39, 1939, p. 103). It was apparently a fairly mature bird as the white feathering on the throat was restricted to a rather narrow central strip, as illustrated by Serventy for his adult South Australian specimen (Pl. 14, right figure), and the under-wing pattern agreed with Serventy's fig. 2.

The only other specimen of this petrel known from Western Australia is a beach derelict found at Bunbury by F. Lawson Whitlock on May 23, 1937, and which was described as a new species (*P. leptorhynchus*) by Gregory Mathews. The race *huttoni* is believed to breed at the Snares Island, south of New Zealand, but V. I. Clark and C. A. Fleming (*N.Z. Bird Notes*, vol. 2, 1948, p. 187) state that as no later visitors to the Snares have seen this petrel there is a possibility that the original specimens were wrongly labelled. Specimens of *huttoni* have been taken in various parts of southern Australia, north to Garie in N.S.W., and in Cook Strait, New Zealand.

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A Recent Western Australian Record of the Ghost Bat (*Macroderma gigas*).—The Ghost Bat (*Macroderma gigas* (Dobson)) has been rarely collected or observed in Western Australia. The last two specimens to reach the Western Australian Museum were from Mt. Anderson Station, in the Kimberley Division (January, 1931) and from the All Nations Mine, Nullagine (January, 1942). It is of interest, therefore, to record a specimen taken by the